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Applicant: Valeo Electrical Systems, Inc.
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WITH BASE AND COVER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment, before examination of the application, is respectfully requested.

In the specification:

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ABSTRACT

A motor vehicle wiper gear motor includes a motor core and a reduction gear base, the core and the base having metal parts. The gear motor has a joint interposed between the core and the base, the joint including a sealing material and at least a metal element in contact with the metal parts of the core and the base.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-11, and substitute therefore the following new claims:

Sub B11 12. A motor vehicle wiper gear motor comprising a core motor and a reduction gear base, the core and base having metal parts, characterized by comprising a joint interposed between the core and the base, the joint including a